

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in the subject application. In the outstanding Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following groups of claims: group I (claims 1-14) drawn to a method, classified in class 427, subclass 458 and group II (claims 15-16) drawn to an article, classified in class 428, subclass 632. Applicant elects, with traverse, group I claims 1-14 drawn to a method, classified in class 427, subclass 458.

The election is made with traverse because it is respectfully asserted that all sixteen claims are properly presentable in a single application. In particular, search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden to the Examiner. Moreover, claim 15 depends directly from the method of claim 1. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the requirement for restriction. Prompt and favorable consideration of the subject application is also respectfully requested.

A call to the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below would be appreciated should the Examiner have any questions.

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